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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Original)

An image forming method comprising:

developing a latent image formed on a cylindrical electrophotographic photoreceptor having a cylindricity of 5 to 40 μm , with a developer comprising a toner which comprises a ratio $Dv50/Dp50$ of a 50% volume particle diameter $Dv50$ to a 50% number particle diameter $Dp50$ of 1.0 to 1.15, a ratio $Dv75/Dp75$ of a cumulative 75% volume particle diameter from a largest volume particle diameter $Dv75$ to a cumulative 75% number particle diameter from a largest number particle diameter $Dp75$ of 1.0 to 1.20, and toner particles having a particle diameter of $0.7 \times Dp50$ or less in an amount of 10 percent by number or less.

2. (Original)

The method of claim 1, wherein the 50% volume particle diameter $Dv50$ is 2 μm to 8 μm .

3. (Original)

The method of claim 1, wherein the toner comprises colored particles which are obtained by polymerizing at least polymerizable monomers in an aqueous medium.

4. (Original)

The method of claim 1, wherein the toner comprises colored particles which are obtained by salting-out/fusing at least resin particles in an aqueous medium.

5. (Original)

The method of claim 1, wherein the cylindricity is 7 to 30 μm .

6. (Original)

The method of claim 1, wherein the cylindricity is 7 to 27 μm .

7. (Original)

The method of claim 1, wherein the ratio $Dv50/Dp50$ of the 50% volume particle diameter $Dv50$ to the 50% number particle diameter $Dp50$ is 1.0 to 1.13.

8. (Original)

The method of claim 1 comprising:

transferring a toner image formed through development onto a recording medium; and

removing a residual toner on the photoreceptor after the transferring.

9. (Original)

The method of claim 8, wherein the cylindricity is 7 to 30 μm .

10. (Original)

The method of claim 8, wherein the cylindricity is 7 to 27 μm .

11. (Original)

The method of claim 9, wherein the ratio $Dv50/Dp50$ of the 50% volume particle diameter $Dv50$ to the 50% number particle diameter $Dp50$ is 1.0 to 1.13.

12-18. (Cancelled)

19. (New)

The method of claim 11, wherein the 50% volume particle diameter $Dv50$ is 3-7 μm .

20. (New)

The method of claim 1, wherein the toner comprises a crystalline ester compound of the following general formula (1):

General formula (1): $R_1-(OCO-R_2)_n$

wherein R_1 and R_2 each represent a hydrocarbyl group having 1 to 40 carbon atoms, which may have a substituent, and n is an integer from 1 to 4.

21. (New)

The method of claim 19, wherein the toner comprises a crystalline ester compound of the following general formula (1):

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wherein R_1 and R_2 each represent a hydrocarbyl group having 1 to 40 carbon atoms, which may have a substituent, and n is an integer from 1 to 4.